

CH-115  
Boswell-Compton House  
Port Tobacco

first quarter 19th century

The three-bay, side-passage plan of the main block of this attractive, four-part frame house suggests that like so many of its type scattered throughout the county, it was probably built during the first quarter of the nineteenth century.

The street front elevation is of a telescoping configuration, with a modern, one-story section at the south end that replaced an earlier kitchen of similar design.

Another two-story wing extends out from the back of the main block.

N. R. FIELD SHEET

CH 115

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

<b>1. NAME</b>			
COMMON: COMPTON HOUSE			
AND/OR HISTORIC:			
<b>2. LOCATION</b>			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: PORT TOBACCO			
STATE: MD.	CODE:	COUNTY: CHAS.	CODE:
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>			
<b>CATEGORY</b> (Check One)		<b>OWNERSHIP</b>	
District <input type="checkbox"/>	Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/>	Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>		Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>
		<b>STATUS</b>	
		Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>
		Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
		Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
			No: <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>PRESENT USE</b> (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>			
OWNERS NAME: CALVIN L. COMPTON			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: PORT TOBACCO		STATE: MD.	CODE:
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: CHAS. CO. COURTHOUSE			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: LA PLATA		STATE: MD.	CODE:
APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:			
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>			
TITLE OF SURVEY:			
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/>			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:	CODE:

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## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Telescopic in composition the house is frame with "A" frame roofs the ridges running N to S. The rear wing roof is also "A" frame but runs E to W.

The main block is 3 bays in length with a N end door at the 2nd level are 3 windows. At the facade, which faces S W, is a 1 storey porch.

The middle or 2nd part is 2 storeys with 2 windows at the 1st. + 2nd. level.

The 3rd. part is 1½ storeys with 3 bays at the 1st. level and 2 dormers at roof level. There is a single chimney at the S gable of the last part, a single chimney of 2 flues at the S gable of the main block and a single end chimney at the exterior of the 2 storey rear wing.

The 3rd. part (S) is a replacement of the original which burned a few years ago.

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## 8. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian ☐16th Century ☐18th Century ☐20th Century ☒15th Century ☐17th Century ☐19th Century ☒

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

Education ☐Political ☐Urban Planning ☐Prehistoric ☐Engineering ☐

Religion/Phi-

Other (Specify) ☐Historic ☐Industry ☐losophy ☐Agriculture ☐Invention ☐Science ☐Art ☐Landscape ☐Sculpture ☐Commerce ☐Architecture ☐

Social/Human-

Communications ☐Literature ☐itarian ☐Conservation ☐Military ☐Theater ☐Music ☐Transportation ☐

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

*J. R. Riviere*

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE

CODE

## 12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

## NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

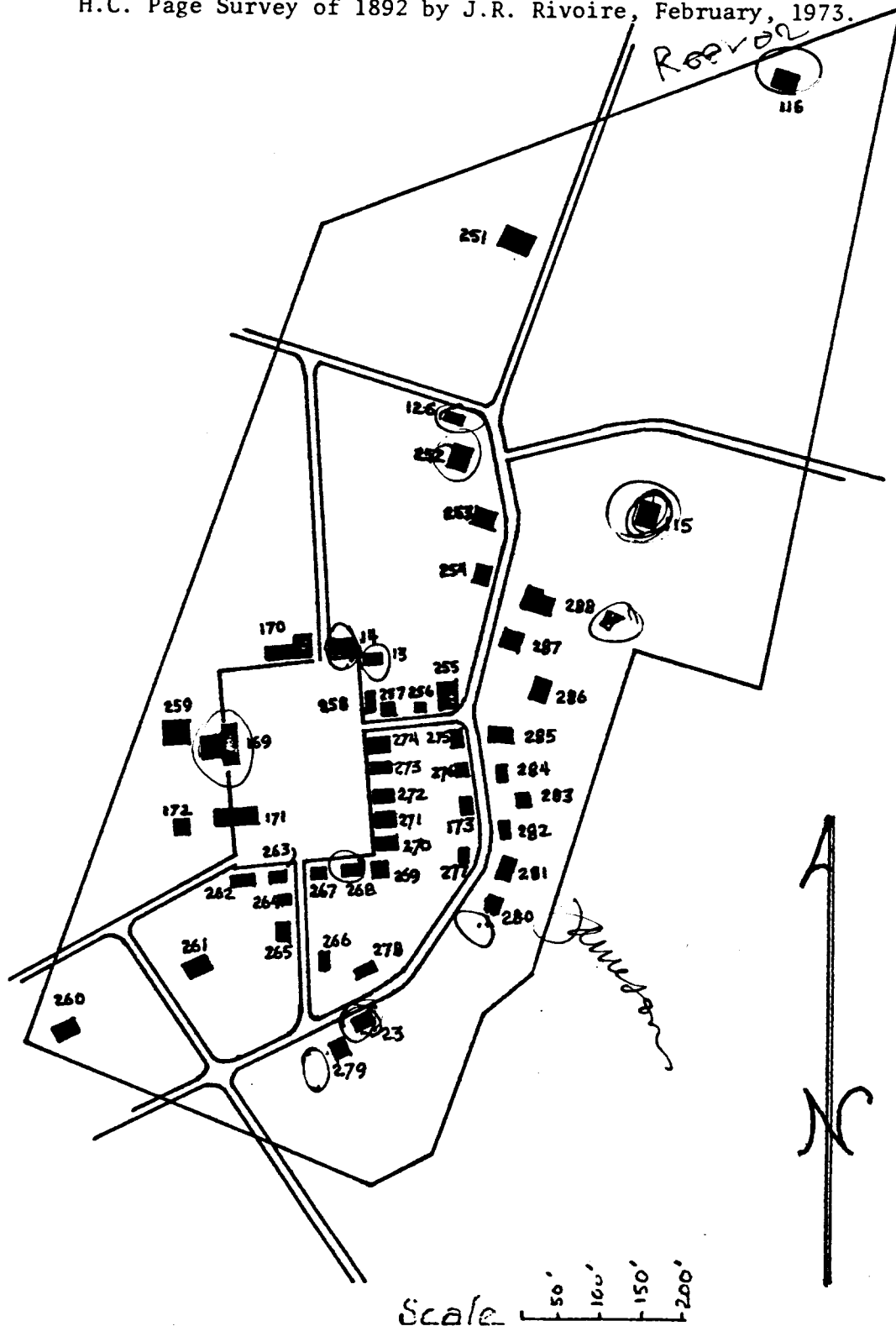
ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Keeper of The National Register

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1892 Boundaries of the Village of Port Tobacco, Charles County, Maryland, Showing the Locations of Buildings, Sites, and Areas (Aboriginal and Colonial) of Archaeological Significance, that Exist Within the Settlement. Reduced and Drawn from the Original H.C. Page Survey of 1892 by J.R. Rivoire, February, 1973.



# VILLAGE OF PORT TOBACCO

## CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND ABOUT 1890

1. COURTHOUSE 2. SMOOT 3. ST. CHARLES HOTEL 4. CHIMNEY HOUSE  
5. PADGETT 6. STORE 7. PRINTER 8. BARBER SHOP 9. BOSWELL STORE  
10. HALL 11. JENKINS 12. W.W. PADGETT STORE 13. WILMER 14. SCHOOL  
15. CHURCH 16. CENTENIAL HOTEL 17. WADE 18. QUINSEL STORE 19. STORE  
20. BOWIE 21. BOWIE 22. MARYLAND INDEPENDANT 23. SMOOT  
WAREHOUSE 24. ? 25. PORT TOBACCO TIMES 26. BOSWELL 27. ROBERTS  
28. WADE SMITHY 29. ROBERTS STORE 30. HAMILTON 31. JENKINS  
32. LACEY 33. OWENS 34. WELCH 35. LACEY 36. BURCH 37. HALL  
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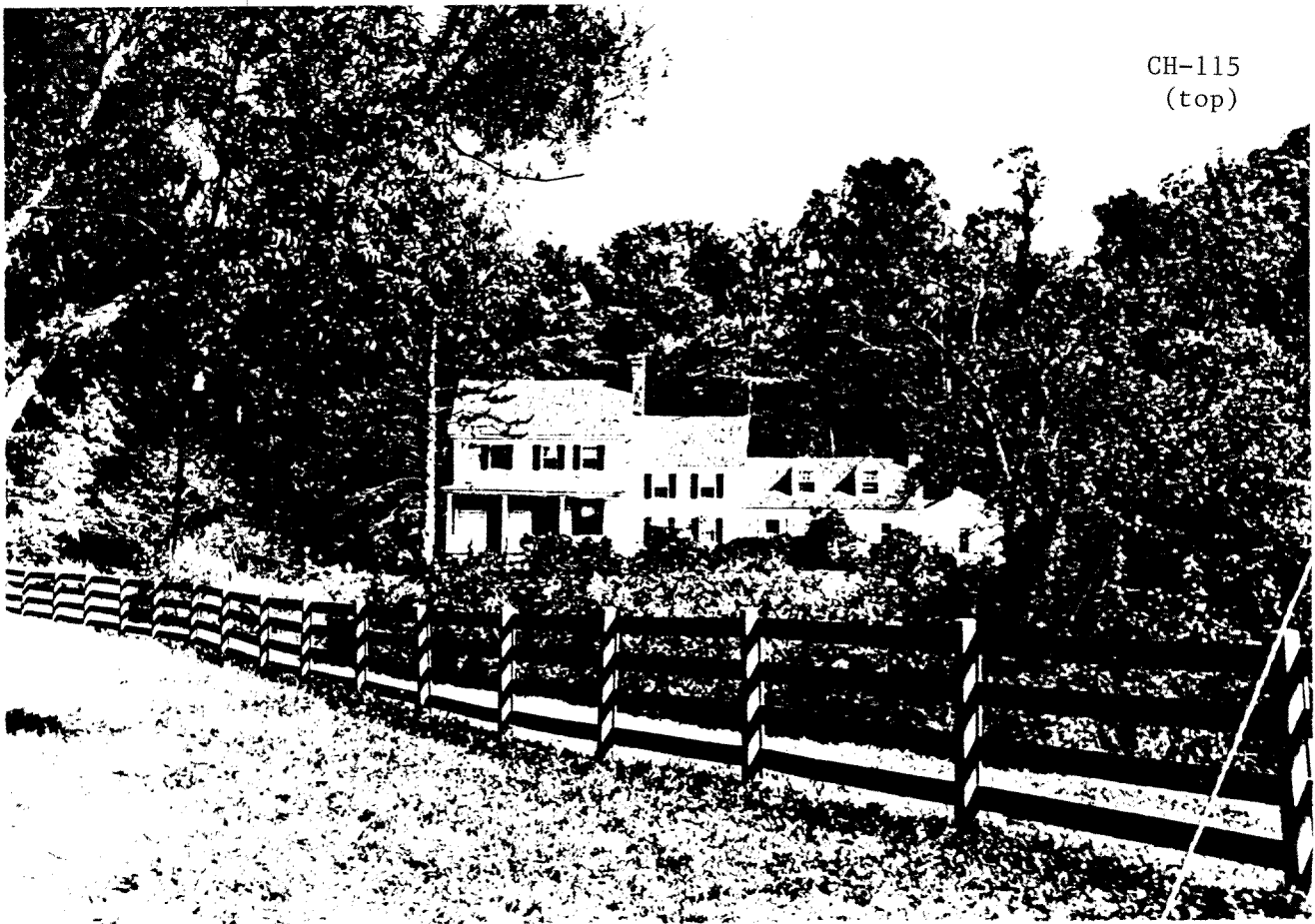
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MARYLAND SHPD  
BOSWELL-COMPTON HOUSE, W. FRONT, FROM  
CHAPEL POINT ROAD

5/18

PORT TOBACCO  
CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND  
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EAST FRONT OF 1819-1821 COURTHOUSE (FELON.);  
1958 WELL HOUSE TO VIEWERS RIGHT

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